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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant

Gerald A. Hutchinson et al.

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For

PROCESS FOR THE

MANUFACTURE AND FILLING

OF FLEXIBLE POUCHES

Examiner

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT FILED JULY 16, 2007

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants timely filed an Amendment and a Request for Continued Examination on July 16, 2007. On page 7 of the Amendment, Applicants mistakenly indicated that Claim 1 recited "producing filled, flexible pouches at a rate of 50,000 to 70,000 pouches per hour." Instead, Claim 1 clearly recites "producing filled, flexible pouches at a rate of at least 50,000 pouches per hour. As such, Applicants request that the Examiner only consider Claim 1 as being limited to "a rate of at least 50,000 pouches per hour," as was intended by the Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

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